MAYOR GLEASON'S FIGHT OVER A SCHOOL

Although Defied by the Trustees He Puts Men at Work Under a Guard of Police.

CHAIRMAN WHITCOMB'S THREAT.

He Says He Will Fling the Mayor Out if He Finds Him on the School Premises.

The trouble between Mayor Patrick J. Glesson and the School Trustees of the Fourth ward of Long Island City has become so serious that open war has at last been declared between them. Five curpenters were engaged yesterday afternoon in putting down benches in the main school in the ward, by Mayor Gleason's orders. The building was guarded by a detail of police while the work was in progress. The School Trustees of the ward had issued a proclamation that no more benches should be put in the school, and Chairman Whitcomb, it is alleged, gave orders to Janitor Hayes to shoot any one dead who attempted to enter the building for that purpose.

A few days ago the Board of Education, which is controlled by the Gleason faction, gave orders that the work should be done and that Carpenter Henry Butler should put in additional benches and seats, but up to yesterday the trustees remained masters of the situation.

THREATS AGAINST THE MAYOR. Mayor Gleason went to the school in company with a policeman yesterday morning looking for Chairman Whiteomb, but the latter had left before the Mayor's arrival. On learning of his visit, Whitcomb returned, but by this time Gleason had

Whitcomb, who is one of the largest and most powerful men in the city, claims that Mayor Gleason has no right to go to the school and mix up in the quarrel, and openly says he will throw him out if he finds him there. This shows the extent of the feeling aroused by the trouble.

The trustees are Chairman James M. Whitcomb, Mrs. Isaac B. Strang and Samuel Burggraft. Mrs. Strang has been a trustee for lifteen years. All the trustees are in accord, and are supported in their right by seemingly the entire ward, which is the most auti-Gleason section of the city. It includes what is known as the Gorman settlement, and the people claim that Mayor Gleason is seeking to impose on them for opposing him politically. They claim their Board of School Trustees has been snubbed and ignored by the Gleason Board of Education in the matter of the proposed erection of a new schoolbouse, and that children are being sent from the Fifth ward to fill the schools of the Fourth ward to such an extent as to create a scandal.

DANGEROUS TO LIFE AND LIMB.

It is asserted that there is only thirteen inches of space between the seats in the school now and that more benches will endanger the life and limbs of the schoolars, over seventy of whom are crowded into some of the rooms with only one teacher to instruct them. Mrs. Isaac B. Strang and Samuel Burggraft. Mrs.

into some of the rooms with only one teacher to instruct them.

They claim that in case of fire a panic would ensue, followed by great loss of life.

The city recently rented one floor of the Turn Verein building in the ward, and the entire building could be rented for \$30 per month including a janitor. But an old rookery owned by Mayor Gleason was rented instead, at \$1,000, which cannot be used when it is raining, and in cold weather the boys have to sit in the rooms with their overcoats on.

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A part of the building is used as a high school and much complaint is made of its location. The high school used to be in a rented building in a settled part of the city and now its in a sparsely settled district.

The Gleason building before it was rented by the city was offered, it is said, at a rental of \$400 per year.

one of the children crowding into the Fourth ward from the Fifth ward comprise those who attended the new Fifth ward school building which has been closed to permit the introduction of steam heating apparatus.

The trustees claim that the sanitary condition of the Gleason building is so bad as to endanger the health of the scholars. They say the overcrowding of the city schools is entirely due to missmanagemant, and quote as an instance the paying of \$1,500 per annum to one man in the Fifth ward for teaching a primary class of thirty scholars. They charge that before and since the Burdick investigation the whole school system of the city has been run to further the political interests of Mayor Gleason.

WILL APPEAL TO THE COURTS. The trouble has caused so much demoralization of discipline among the scholars of the Fourth ward that the holding of the school sessions is a farce, and a valuable part of the school year has been lost. Nearly half a million dellars has been spended in the erection of five new school-houses, not one of which is in a fit condition for a school

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The trustees of the Fourth ward claim that the city should finish these before beginning to build others, and that then there would be no over-crowding. The city is now renting over thirty buildings for school purposes.

Chairman Whitcomb took the keys of the Fourth ward school last night and looked the building up, and said that to-day he would apply to the courts for an injunction reatraining Mayor Gleason and the Board of Education from further action until the case is legally scatted by the proper authorities. Mayor Gleason says he is trying to give the city good schools, but some people are trying to prevent him.

STOLE THE RIGGING AND STORES.

A VESSEL STRIPPED IN WILMINGTON AND THE

PROPERTY FOUND IN JERSEY CITY. The Norwegian bark Belgian was sold at auction at Wilmington, N. C., ten days ago to Jared Petrie. a ship broker of this city. When Mr. Petrie went to take possession he was surprised to find that all

stripped of her rigging and stores. With the aid of Deputy United States Marshal Golinsky Mr. Petrie succeeded in tracing the stolen rigging and furniture. Two car loads were located in the freight yard of the Pennsylvania Railroad at

that was left was the hull. The vessel had been

The property was being placed on trucks belong-

The property was being placed on trucks belonging to the Standard National Storage Company, of this city, and J. M. King, manager of the storage company, who paid the freight, was arrested.

The bark put into Wilmington on February 4 in distress. Captain Gabriel Larrio, the commander, had the cargo reshipped. He had an interest in the vessel. The first National Bank of Pensacola, Fia., had a mortgage for \$3,500 on the craft, and the captain notified the bank of the condition of the vessel was soid to Forte, including the rigging and stores.

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Captain Larrio after the sale had the right a distance of twenty miles from Wilmington to a railroad station and sent to Charleston, S. C., and from there to Jersey City.

Mr. Petrie was notified of the arrival of the cars at Jersey City and hastened to Justice Weed's office and secured the necessary papers and warrants. When King arrived the property was scized and the warrant was served.

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King said a man named Pinod, foreman in a silk mill on Frity-fourth street, this city, called on him on Monday and introduced two women who said they had some goods consigned to him which they wanted stored. They desired him to pay the freight, One of the women said ther husband, a sea captain, had consigned the goods, and probably intended disposing of them at auction. On the assurance of Pinod that it was correct he consented, and was taking possession of the consignment when the constable arrived. He paid \$53 freight.

King was not held, as it was evident he was infocent. The Justice will deliver the goods to Petrie on Saturday if no other claimant appears.

EX-POSTMASTER BENNETT IN JAIL.

William H. Bennett, of Long Branch, was lodged in jail at Freehold yesterday by United States Marshal W. B. Deacon. Bennett was appointed Post-

master at Long Branch by Freeident Cleveland. He
is charged with having robbed the office of \$2,000,
and his bondsmen surrendered him yesterday.

Bennett is an ex-Assemblyman and at one time
was a large contractor at Long Branch. His case
has been in the court more than two years. Three
years ago he was under keeper at the State Prison.

HOW A HORSE DRAGGED A BOY.

Harold Strang, the fourteen-year-old son of Farmer A. H. Strang, while riding a horse at a morning, was thrown and dragged nearly a mile by the len, his left foot having caught in the stirrap. Aithough the boy's head struck the ground with every leap of the horse he was not killed, the ground being moist.

He was badly bruised and maimed. Dr. Curry had the lad placed upon a mattress and taken to his office. The boy is in a critical condition.

COLLISION AT RAHWAY.

THE NEWSPAPER TRAIN CRASHES INTO A FREIGHT-TRAIN HANDS INJURED. A collision occurred early yesterday on the Pennsylvania Railroad at Rahway, N. J., which resulted

tion of valuable railroad property.

The newspaper train from Jersey City, due at Rahway at 5:26, arrived a few minutes behind time. It was dark and raining. The Long Branch freight train was standing on the track just below Hazelwood avenue and within a short distance of Amboy Junction. Next to the caboose was an

in the injury of several persons and the destruc-

Adams Express car, in charge of D. C. Hopper, of Engineer Edward Page, who was running the 10- His Father Says He Had No Trouble of comotive of the newspaper train, apparently did not see the Long Branch freight until it was too late to avoid a collision. Engineer Page and his fireman, Timothy Mooney, jumped from the cab

just before the collision occurred. The locomotive of the newspaper train crashed into the caboose, smashing it and driving the stove and its contents into the express car. The latter was telescoped and Express Messenger Hopper and a narrow escape from being killed. He was found among the debris of the wrecked car. He had managed to crawl to the since.

the wrecked car. He had managed to crawl to the express safe, from which he took the money packages. He had them in his possession when he was removed from the wreck and taken to the baggage room. His nose was badly lacerated and he had a wound three inches long in the back of his head. He also had a cut over the right eye. His wound was sewed up and he was removed to his home in Long Branch.

The shattered express car and the wrecked caboose caught fire from the overturned stove and the wreck was soon a mass of flames.

Charles H. Shipman, the Adams kapress agent at Rahway, sprang into the burning express car, and at the risk of his life began to throw out the parcels and packages. He remained at this task until his clothing caught fire, when he was compelled to jump to the ground. He was not injured, however. Engineer Page, who is forty-seven years of age, was found to have sustained a cut three inches long across the forehead and another gash the same length over his right temple. His wrist; was also badly sprained. Fireman Mooney, who is right eye and his nose was nearly torn off. Both Page and Mooney reside in Jersey City. They were attended by a physician and then removed to their home.

The firemen of Rahway were called out and di-

way and the cab and front works all being domolished.

Wrecking trains came from Elizabeth and Jersey
City to reader assistance and by noon the wreck
had been removed. The damage to the rolling
stock will, it is thought, amount to \$50,000.

The railroad employes refuse to give any information as to the cause of the collision. It is said,
however, that Engineer Page was to blame for running his train at such high rate of speed at such a
place and in such thick weather. The railroad
company are investigating the matter.

THE CYLINDER DID NOT EXPLODE.

The gas explosion which occurred in the Pullman parlor car Dahlia in the yard of the Central Railroad of New Jersey at Communipaw last Thursday was not the result of any defect in the

Thursday was not the result of any defect in the aystem of the car heating and lighting company, but the result of carelessness on the part of omployes. There was no explosion of a cylinder, nor was any one injured.

An obstruction had been noticed in the pipes several days before, and the employes attempted to clear the obstruction by blowing gas through it. This they did by opening the vaives in the car, and attached a pipe under pressure, connected with the holder. They neglected to open any of the windows, and the car was filled with gas, and an atmospheric disturbance was created, driving the gas on the fire.

SPINNERS PARADE TO-NIGHT.

THEY WILL HOLD A BIG MASS MEETING IN A NEWARK BINE.

The vicinity of Clark's mills, in Kearny, N. J., yesterday was exceedingly quiet and the thirty Jersey City policemen on duty there had nothing to do. There was not the slightest disturbance during the day and very few people about.

The striking spinners and their two hundred creeiers and piecers, who are out through sympathy, will march to-night through Harrison to Newark, proceded by a band and drum corps, to the Belleville avenue rink, where a mass meeting will be held and addresses will be made by Mastor Workman Murray, of District Assembly, No. 43, Rnights of Labor, of this city. Miss Ida Van Etten, Hugh O. Pentecoat, Churles Soloman, of this city, and Thomas O'Brien, John Dwyer and John W. Gill, of Newark, and other labor advocates.

Chief of Pelice Turnbull, of Kearny, yesterday expressed a fear that in the event of the Jersey City police being taken away more violence would result and the mills mignit become the object of fireburgs creelers and piecers, who are out through sympa-

and the mills might become the object of firebugs or dynamite throwers.

NEWS NOTES FROM ROUND ABOUT.

Gilbert Stephens, of White Plains, N. Y., who at-empted to commit suicide last Monday, will recover. Mrs. Shea, of Oceanic, N. J., who was brutally heaten by her husband, John, last Monday night, died yesterday, Shea is in the county jail at Freehold.

John Faherty, an undertaker in Jersey City, has been appointed Coroner by Governor Abbott, to fill the variancy created by the death of Coroner Hoylan.

The Hartford (Conn.) Beard of Trade vesterday passed resolutions declaring legislation of the character of the Conger Lard bill inexpedient, unwise and unjust. Neillie Whalen, of Peskskill, N. Y., who was burned to teath last Sunday, was buried yesterday. The funeral was the most largely attended of any ever held in the city. A reception will be given at the Catholic Protectory, twest thester on Washington's Birthday. Prominent towns Catholic laymen and mriests and all the New ork city judges have been invited.

Policeman Jussen Harrison, of Hobsken, who is accused of assaulting Bartender Fritz Muller in the Eagle-Hotel last Saturday, surrendered bimself yesterday. He gave \$500 bail for appearance on April 7.

Mrs. Mary Cowan, of Nowburg, N. Y., was fined \$50 sterday for salling liquors without a licease. A usade has been started to break up illegal liquor selling in Newburg and this was the first of several cases to e tried.

Ella Des Maison, a young woman, a drunkard, atmpted ou Monday evening to count't sufeide by throwg herself in front of an Eric train at Jersey City. The
cain was stopped in time, however. She was sent to jail
or thirty days.

An unknown man was struck by the Washington ex-ress on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Rail-ond, at West Chester, N. Y., early yesterday morning nd instantly killed. The Coroner rendered a verdict of colountal death.

John Puffer, who has been in the Richmond (Staten Is-n), jail for several weeks on a charge of having in-ticled injuries which caused the death of Michael Timo-y, was discharged yesterday, the Grand Jury having alled to induct bim.

Frank Galway, a Jersey City letter carrier, while de-vering lotters at No. 44 Waverly street yesterday, and over the basement railing to hand in a letter, he railing gave way and Galway pitched headlong to a stone dagging of the areaway, fracturing his sauli-

e will die. David Westhoff, a laborer, thirty-three years old, was raigned in Hoboken, N.J., yestenday for assaulting ran Johnson, a tweiv-year-old girl, in the hall of his me, at No. 152 Clinton etreet. The child's mothered roams were heard by the inmakes, who pounced upon eathoff before he could escape. esthoff before he could escape. The Richmend County Grand Jury restorday recom-tantled that the District Attorney of the county be subhorized to prepare a bill to be sent to the Legislature reviding that the county taxes, excepting village axes, be collected by the County Treasurer instead of by he town collectors under the present system.

Rufus Yarrington, the thirteen year-old boy who is no-nsed of having attempted to wreck a train on the Long-sland Railroad by placing a big log on the track, was aken before Justice White, at Ovater Bay, yesterday, he hearing in the case was adjourned until Thursday, and the boy was committed to the Queens County Jail, at our Island Oity.

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ohn Plimquist, a boarding house thief, was arrested toboken. M.J., yesterday a termoon, on complaint of the c

ground being moist.

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ROBERT E. CONNELLY HAS DISAPPEARED.

The Ex-Assemblyman and Well Known Young Lawyer Is Missing.

HE LEFT HIS HOME FEBRUARY 6.

Any Kind and Cannot Account for His Absence.

The friends of ex-Assemblyman Robert E. Connolly, of Brooklyn, are very much worried over his unexplained absence from his home. He left his house in his usual good spirits on Friday, February 6, and none of his friends have seen him

Mr. Conolly lived at his father's home, No. 665 Hart street, and had his law office at No. 11 Wil-

The ex-Assemblyman has never been absent from home over night without communicating his whereabouts to his parents, and since Saturday week his father and mother have been greatly alarmed. His father, Michael J. Connelly, is a stenographer in the Department of Excise and for the past week he has been diligently looking for

He dreaded the notoriety that would result from calling in the assistance of the police, but yielding to the advice of his friends he notified Superintendent Campbell of his son's protracted absence yesterday and requested him to send out a general alarm.

from the Central Office to search the hospitals in this city. Mr. Connelly has been suffering from malaria for some time past and has taken large quantities of quinine, and this, his father believes, may have affected his brain. Nothing has been

quantities of quinins, and this, his father believes, may have affected his orain. Nothing has been seen of the ex-Assemblyman at his law office for ten days.

He registered at the Hotel Bostwick in Bedford avenue, Eastern district, on Monday night last and left the house Tuesday morning.

No HNOWN THOUDLE.

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Nothing peculiar was noticed in his manner or appearance. His friends say he did not owe a dollar and that he could not have been in twolved in financial troubles, as he had control of no funds, He is said to have been a temperate man, and his domestic relations were happy.

I saw his father last night. "I know of no reason why my son should have left home," he said. "He has been alling of late from malaria, and has taken four large doses of quinine a day. This, with the fact that several parties owed him large sums of money, and his disgust with politics, may have caused mental trouble.

"My son has always notified me heretefore if business kept him away from home over night. He was a temperate man. He would take a glass of beer occasionally, but nothing more. He had no business troubles. He is unmarried."

The ex-Assembly man usually passed his summor vacation at Bellport, L. L. and occasionally visited the place in winter for a day or two, but his relatives do not believe he would make so long a stay there without notifying them.

AWELL KNOWN MAN.

Robert E. Conneily is one of the best known men in Brooklyn and is in his thirty-second year. He was educated at the College of St. John the Baptist, Lewis and Willoughby avenues, Brooklyn, and at a seminary in Montreal, Canada, and entered the law office of Davis & Burrill, this city, and was graduated from Columbia Law School. He served in the Legislature in 1855 and 1856, and was chosen by Mr. David Dudley Field to introduce his Code into the Assembly. His speech on that occasion was regarded as especially brilliant.

After returing from the Assembly he began the practice of law in Brooklyn and had a large and growing business. He was a c

because he was a non-union man, failed to appear in the Court of Sessions, Brooklyn, yesterday morning when the case was called for trial. The case has been on the calendar several times, but each time it has been called Sapphore has been ab-sent.

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Judge Moore was told that Sapphore could not
be found, and it was believed that he had been induced to leave the jurisdiction of the court in order that the proceedings against Warner could be

dismissed.

Assistant District Attorney Maguire said every effort had been made to secure Sapphore, and until he was forthcoming he did not intend to try the

he was forthcoming he did not intend to try the case.

In refusing to consent to Warner's discharge at the request of Warner's lawyer, Judge Moore said he believed the friends of Warner had something to do with keeping Sapphore away. If it was found to be true, the Justice added, he would have all the parties involved in the affair kept in jail until Sapphore was found. "I will not tolerate any attempt," said Judge Moore, "to obstruct or defeat the ends of justice in this way. No man shall be allowed to set law and justice at defiance."

The Central Labor Union of Brooklyn is making every effort to find Sapphore. The wife of the missing man says she is convinced her husband has been spirited away for no good purpose.

IN LOVE WITH THE ARMY. MRS. LYONS GIVES UP HER HUSBAND FOR THE

SHOUTING SALVATIONISTS Mrs. Louisa Lyons' infatuation for Salvation Army services has caused an estrangement from her husband William Lyons, a well known tenek. man on Broad street, this city, who lives at No. 375 Thirteenth street, Brooklyn. The couple separated a few days ago, Mrs. Lyons taking with her to her mother's house, at No. 289 Twenty-first street, her two daughters, and leaving her seven-year-old boy to comfort his father.

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Mrs. Lyons became affected with the Salvation Army craze after she attended a service with her mother in the barracks on Fifth avenue, Brooklyn, one month ago. She began to neglect her household in order to sing and shout at the meetings and finally remained away from her home until late hours.

Her husband requested her to give up her caprice, but she only laughed at him and said she was wrapped up in the Salvation Army. The next day she left him.

The mother of Mrs. Lyons said yesterday that she attended the Army services with her daughter and thought there was no harm in it. She added that Lyons had not treated his wife properly.

DESTRUCTIVE USE OF A DIAMOND. When various business houses on Fulton street, from Washington street to Fulton ferry, Brooklyn, were opened for the day's trade yesterday it was

discovered that some mischievous person or persons had cut and scratched the show windows with a diamond. It is said that the damage will amount to several hundred dollars.

The police and the business men who suffered are utterly at a loss as to the cause of the outrage. Among the firms whose show windows were defaced are the London Photograph Gallery, near Washington street; Liebman Brothers & Owings, Duoxworth's confectionery store, Somerville's dry goods, you work with the street of the street.

White's jowelry store and Huyler's candy store. These are all on the same side of the street.

A NEGRO WILL JOIN THE POLICE.

Wiley G. Overton, a colored undertaker at No. 35 Lawrence street, will be appointed a patrolman by Police Commissioner Hayden, Overton recently passed a successful examination and some opposipassed a successful examination and some opposition was manifested against his appointment on
account of his color.

A number of colored men called on Mayor Chapin
and requested that no discrimination be shown in
the appointment of men from the successful list.
Commissioner Hayden had the question of Overton's appointment under consideration for several
days, and yesterday announced his intention of
appointing Overton.

MRS. BURDETT IN AN ASYLUM.

Chief Justice Clement, of the City Court, Brooklyn, yesterday committed Mrs. Jane Burdett, who threatened to shoot Clerk White, of the District Attorney's office, to the Flatbush Insane Asylum.

She was sent to Raymond Street Jall last Thursday

Murray held Spitz and Schraeder for trial. MRS. BURDETT IN AN ASYLUM.

until her sanity could be inquired into. The County Physician pronounced her insane, and when she was brought into court yesterday her son offered to support her and a woman said she would provide a home and care for her.

Mrs. Burdett, in her own behalt, said she had property in England which some persons were trying to steal from her. They also wanted to get the certificate of her marriage in Plymouth Church. Instead of trying to shoot her.

Justice Clement told her son he was satisfied that his mother was insane and it was his duty to send her to the asylum.

MEN WHO WANT A SHARE

OF A BENEFIT FUND.

Employes of the Burned Fifth Avenue

Theatre Complain That They Have Re-

SUED HIS FATHER AND WON. RICHARD P. MONZANI MADE A FIGHT FOR THE PROPERTY LEFF BY HIS MOTHER.

The suit of Richard P. Monzani against his father, Julian T. Monzani, and his stepmother, Eliza Jane Monzani, to recover \$5,000 worth of property at Catherine street and Metropolitan avenue, Brooklyn, was decided in favor of the son by Judge Bartlett in the Kings County Supreme Court yester-

Richard P. Monzani's mother died in 1876, leaving her estate to him. He became of age September 27, 1888. He lived with his father and stepmother and charged that their treatment of him was harsh and that they conspired to cheat him out of his inheritance, procuring the assignment of mortgages to his stepmother, who proceeded to foreclose, He was induced to sign a consent for the appointment of Martin Flanagan, a stranger, as guardian ad

of Martin Flanagan, a stranger, as guardian ad litem.

His father assured him that he did not intend to execute a will, and merely wished to secure Richard his share of the property. The real estate was sold, and the stepmother bought it in for \$1,000.

It was not until Richard attained his majority that he learned that the property was bequeathed to him by his mother. After he had been induced to part with his luheritance he was so harshly treated that he left his father's house.

The answer of Monzani, senior, and his wife was that the first Mrs. Monzani had purchased the property with money advanced by her husband. She had agreed to make a will in his favor, but died before doing so. The allegations of harsh treatment were denied.

Judge Bartlett has decided that the property belongs to the son, subject to the life estate of his father as tenant by courtesy. The father ignored his obligations as life tenant and guardian to keep the property safe from foreclosure. The foreclosure was merely a contrivance to deprive the son of his inheritance. Mr. and Mrs. Monzani must account for the rents.

ALL AROUND BROOKLYN

William Peale, nine years old, of No. 378 Hart street, was robbed at the corner of Throop and De Kalb avenues by two boys while on his way home from school on Monday. The boys secured a ring worth \$3, and, after warning their victim not to make any outcry, they ran away.

Internaty.

Postumater George J. Collins ordered the official prorammes of the Park Theatre, which had been mailed to
number of out of town newspapers yesterday, to be
rithbeid on the ground that they contained the advetis-ment of a lottery company. The programmes were
ourned to Manager Sinn, who referred the postar auhorities to W. J. Moffatt, publisher of the programme.

No. 110 First place, the home of Mr. Charles Pike, who married a sister of the late Madama Muzard, of the Court of Holiand. Not until Constable Lubbe promised he should not be locked up did the actor toil the whole story. Then Justice Bannister issued a warrant for the arrest of the Kelly brothers, and last night they were taken before Justice Matthewson, who allowed them to go until to-day on their own recognizance.

They were brought before him again this morning and there was such a large attendance that it was necessary to adjourn to the Opera House. The Kellys were represented by Justice C. P. Hoffman and Yonekamp by Justice Wyre. The examination lasted until late this afternoon.

Bloodgood denied to-day that he drew the check, and said that Christopher Kelly drew it and divided the proceeds with his brother. The defence of the Kelly brothers was a sweeping denial.

Justice Matthewson discharged the prisoners, but it is said to-night that the case may go to the Grand Jury.

THEY DON'T BELIEVE HIS STORY. WAS VANMARTER ASSAULTED OR DID HE SHOOT HIMSELF AFTER THE BACES?

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HEBALD. TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 17, 1891.—Joseph Vanmarter, whose family resides at No. 212 Spring street, this city, was found lying on the beach at Gloucester late last night with a bullet wound back of the

right ear. He was taken to the Gloucester Jail when he recovered consciousness, and stated that he had covered consciousness, and stated that he had been shot by some unknown person while he was walking along the beach. The authorities, however, think that the wound was self-inflicted.

Vanmarter is well known here. He has been in the employ of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company for years and was for a time conductor of one of the fast Haltimore and Ohio trains between New York and Philadelphia which run over that road. He lost that position and has been baggage master for some time. For over a year he has not been living with his family here owing to some domestic difficulty. He has a wife and four children. Vanmarter was found near Thompson's Hotel, close by the Gloucester track.

The scaip was secreted with powder, showing that the weapon was fired close to the head. The ball only inflicted a scalp wound. The bullet was extracted this morning, and Vanmarter will seen recover. The authorities believe that he had hear money on the race track, and that this caused him

COMPROMISE WITH VASSAR HEIRS.

A REPORT THAT THE COLLEGE AUTHORITIE:

him.

County Physician Wrightson viewed the body and granted a burial certificate.

Huber's stepfather is serving out a sentence in the New Jersey State Prison.

HAVE OFFERED A SETTLEMENT. | Y TELEGRAPH TO THE HEBALD.

POUGHEREPSIE, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1891.—There is a report that Vassar College officials have offered the heirs-at-law of John Guy Vassar \$189,000 to settle the action brought to break the will. Judge Nelson, counsel for the executors, save he

has had no notice of such a proposition. Robert E. Taylor says:—"The report is only rumor; there is nothing tangible yet, nothing definite."

Another lawyer, who did not want his name mentioned, said:—"There was a meeting of lawyers ten days ago in relation to the matter, but no definite action was taken. I hear that Rufus Choate has told the executors that the heirs-at-law stand more than a chance of heirs successful and stand more than a chance of being successful, and this has scared the Vassar College people. The case will come before the Court of Appeals on Fen-ruary 24 for argument, and then it will be too late for any compromise, unless the Court of Appeals-calendar is revised, and that may occur."

THEY WERE FRUITS OF A RAID. Charles Spitz, of No. 7 Second avenue, and

Charles Schraeder, of No. 96 East Eighth street, were prisoners in the Essex Market Police Court yesterday, where they were charged with maintaining a disorderly house at No. 7 Second avenue

Theatre Complain That They Have Re-

ALLEGED UNFAIR DISTRIBUTION

ceived No Part of the Money.

They Have Made an Appeal and May Institute Measures for an Accounting.

There are some fifteen employes of the recently burned Fifth Avenue Theatra who are at present

wondering just what good benefits are anyway. When the theatre was destroyed and these men were deprived of their employment a benefit performance was given for them at the Standard Theatre. They naturally felt delighted at the prospect of being "cared for" by their histrionic associates, and until a week ago were depending upon the promised receipt of their share of the money.

Seventeen days have passed since the benefit and thus far the expectant fifteen are still waiting. They are beginning to ask a series of questions which may be difficult of answer. When the Fifth Avenue Theatre burned Mr. D. C. Willoughby, Mr. Miner's press agent, and Oscar Schoenfield suggested to a number of actors and

sciresses that as the employes of the theatre were all dependent upon their salaries the destruction of the house would be a very great misfortune to them, inasmuch as it might be some time before they could secure other employment. With the generosity which is so characteristic of their profession volunteers were forthcoming from all the theatres of the city.

An admirable programme was arranged and in addition to a big sale of tickets checks were received from many of the most prominent persons in the profession. Miss Fanny Davenport sent a check for \$150, the Kendals one for \$25, Mr. Miner \$100, Mr. Abbey bought a box for \$25 and then returned the ticket to be resold, and so on, so that the performance on February 1 returned quite \$2,300. This total was not subject to any expenses. save for the advertising, because Mr. J. M. Hill contributed the use of the Standard Theatre, the gas

HOW THE MONEY SHOULD HE DIVIDED. With this amount in the fund the employés of the theatre began to feel rather comfortable, when there arose the question concerning the exact definition of the word "employes." Messrs. Willoughby and Schoenfield thought the distribution of the

allowance.

"I heard about the complaints of the boys and I thought there was something peculiar about it all. So I did not touch the \$72 I received. I still have it and will hold it subject to the suggestion of any representative of the stage hands. I certainly do not need it, as I am receiving a fair salary—certainly do not need it as much as the boys. At any rate, I won't return it to the men who got up the benefit."

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A FAIR DISTAIRUTION.

Mr. Willoughby and his friends declare that the receipts from the benefit were divided pro rata among the employes of the theatre, and that their receipts are now in his possession. The insinnation that the division of these receipts among the theatre employes was not a fair one is declared to be utterly unfounded. It usually occurs, Mr. Willoughby's friends say, that at the division of the proceeds of every benefit there is a great deal of dissatisfaction, merely because the hopes of the beneficiaries have been raised beyond all reason.

Mr. Sheldon, of the People's Theatre, informed me that the money from the benefit had been distributed pro rate by Mr. Willoughby, and he had been present at the distribution.

The still expectant employes are talking about the advisability of consulting a lawyer as to the best means of securing an itemized accounting from the managers of the benefit.

HIS ANGER LED TO SUICIDE.

YOUNG HUBER WAS DISPLEASED WITH HIS

WIFE AND SHOT HIMSELF. With a revolver with which his father killed himself two years ago and with which his stepfather shot his mother, severely wounding her, John C. Huber, a married man, twenty-four years old committed suicide at the corner of Bank and Ber-

gen streets, Newark, last evening. Huber was a hatter, and yesterday afternoon two of his shopmates, George Reefer and George Krieder, walked home with him. Huber was dis-

is rieder, walked home with him. Huber was dis-pleased because he found a woman with his wife whom he had told her not to associate with. He did not reprimand his wife, but showed that he was annoyed.

Keefer and Kreider loft the house, and Huber went into his bedroom. Mrs. Huber was startled by the report of a pistol, and rushing into the room found her husband dying from a bullet wound in the head. The revolver was lying beside him.

BARTENDER SCALES' CRIME.

The police of Newark are searching for a bartender named George Scales, who is accused of assaulting Ada Herrick, fifteen years old, of No. 109

William street. The girl alleges that while visiting a married sister, at No. 197 Market street, on Friday, she dissister, at No. 197 Market street, on Friday, she dis-covered smoke issuing from a room occupied by Scales. She ran in and found that he had fallen asleep while smoking and had set the bedclothes on fire. She awakened Scales, and before he re-covered from his fright she extinguished the flames. Then Scales attacked her and she broke away and ran to another room and locked the door. Scales followed and forced the door open and as-mutated her.

saulted her.
When Ada's sister returned she was unconscious When Ada's sister returned one was unconscious and could not tell of the affair for several hours. She was taxen home and then taken before Justice Rodrigo and made a complaint.

Scales is thirty-five years old and has a wife and two children, but has not lived with them for four

PLUCK OF AN OLD SOLDIER.

James Van Syckle, a veteran of the Mexican war, who is eighty-five years old and lives in Sussex county, N. J., went to Newton on Monday and submitted to a particularly painful operation without placing himself under the influence of an anas thetic. For some time past he has been suffering from a cancer. Dr. Felet, the operating surgeon, wanted him to take chioroform, but he insisted upon seeing the operation, and while the surgeon's anife wound in and out among the shews and arteries to remove the cancer the hardy old soldier.

looked coolly on and smoked a elgar. He will recover.

The surgeons who were present say they never saw a more wonderful display of nerve.

BIG SALES OF REAL ESTATE.

MB. JOHN JACOB ASTOR PURCHASES A VALU-ABLE FIFTH AVENUE PROPERTY.

It was made known in the real estate market yesterday that Mr. John Jacob Astor, who was married in Philadelphia yesterday to Miss Willing, and bought five lots on the southeast corner of Fifth avenue and Fifty-eighth street from the Hamersley estate for about \$500,000.

Auctioneers R. V. Harnett & Co. offered at public auction yesterday four excellent lots on Biverside Drive, just north of 116th street, the property of a shrowd investor who keeps steadily abreast of the market. Here is the result of this sale:—One lot, 27.6x81.1}4, on Riverside Drive, 107.6 feet north of 116th street, sold for \$11,500 to S. H. Spingarn.

The adjoining lot, 30x86.7, was sold to B. P. Fair child at \$12,500, and two plots adjacent, northerly, 30x92.7 and 30x104.7, sold respectively at \$12,900 and

\$13,750 each to Owen McCorker. These prices are low, "cheap indeed," said one investor who did not buy, "but they must hold

And yet the seller (who made little money by this sale) was glad to be rid of them. "I have lost nothing by the sale," he said. "On the contrary, I think I am somewhat ahead, considering the taxes and assessments I have paid."

A. H. Muller & Son sold several small dwellings on St. Nicholas avenue, between 146th and 147th streets.

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No. 726, a dwelling on lot 18,6x66.9, was sold for \$21,600 to J. Healey, and No. 718, a vacant lot 12x 66.8 and house adjacent, was knocked down at \$29,230 to W. Goetz.

More uptown property was disposed of by Auctioneer John F. B. Smyth. Nos. 414 and 416 East 115th street, two fists on lots each 18,9x190.10, were knocked down respectively at \$8,250 and \$5,700 each to P. Clark and Charles Strong.

The same auctioneer sold No. 421 West Eighteenth street, a five story flat on lot 25,10x92, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, to Albert L. Lowenstein for \$22,500. for \$22,800.
The southeast corner of avenue B and Fourth

The southeast corner of avenue B and Fourth street, containing three story buildings on lot 24x90, was disposed of by Auctioneers Smyth & Ryan to William Cuming at \$30,050.

The estate of Samuel Diets, deceased, consisting of Nos. 3 and 5 Coenties slip and No. 42 Water street, five story buildings, was sold by Auctioneers Scott & Myers to A. Cohen for \$49,100.

Under decree of foreclosure John F. B. Smyth sold a plot 16.8x100, on 138th street, east of Willia avenue, for \$7,200.

At private contract Joseph Cohn & Son have sold No. 28 Monroe street, a six story building, lot 23x96; also No. 214 East Seventy-ninth street, a three story dwelling, on lot 20x102.

F. Iverson Taylor, a young broker, made his maiden sale yesterday by selling for the Kenworthy estate No. 455 West Thirry-fourth street, a three story dwelling, with a 20 foot frontage, at \$14,500 cash.

cash.

IIIth st. 168 East; William Isaacs and wife to Bachel Blosveien.

Sth st. n. s. 375 ft. e. of 3d av. 25x102.2; William I. 10,000

133th st. n. s. 375 ft. e. of 3d av. 25x102.2; William I. 10,000

133th st. a. w. cor. 5th av. 24.11x110; Mortimer F. Forter and ancher to William Hayer.

74th st. s. s. 3000 ft. w. of 9th av. 100x102.2; William Ita St. Eagleton to Samuel Colcord.

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Madison av. 1ct 97, map of Nicholas Gouvernaur Asoher Weinstein and wife to Charley H. Reed and another. R. Goldstein. 44,003 Madison av. a. s. 74 ft. s. of 33d st., 24.8x100; Thomas P. White to Abby E. Laytin. 54,000 Same_property; William Laytin st sh to Thomas P. White. 54,000

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1324a. a. s. 483.8 fs. w. of Lenoy av., 14.8x00.11;
Anthony McKeynelds to Ellen Tosl.
12,500
134b. a. s. a. 107 fs. o. of Willis av., 18.8x100;
John A. Pisken et al. to Nicholas Wilschen,...
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John M. Murray to Emil H. Kesonak.
12,700
Liberty at. n. a. 7.26 fs. e. of Neseau st., 17,4x75
x20.0x70; William K. Aston and wife to William
Lalor. alor. n. s. 180 ft. e. of 3d av. 25x102.2; Al-recht G. Krauss and wife to Karl M. Wallach. 26,0% B. w. s., 22 ft. u. of 10th st., 20x70.6; William Schaofer and wife to Henry Hawerkamp. 10,000 B. n. w. cer. 16th st., 20x70; William F. chaefer and wife to Ernest Spankoff. 25,000 ington av., 1,795; Mary White to Moses shwab. 22,400

Pice at., 40; Joseph Enerich, Jr., and wife, 10
Louis Gowirz.

75d at., s. s., 275 ft. w. of 1st av., 20x102.2;
Jacob Larsohan and wife to Herman Seidman 24,000
Goorek at., c. s., 121.7 ft. north of kivington at.,
20x100; Herman Seidman and wife to Jacob
Larsohan and another
27th st., n. e. cor. Madison av., 24,0275; Givert
Wendelken and wife to John W. Haaren.
Lenox av., w. s., 24,11 ft. n. of 136th at., 20x75;
Fredrick Aldhaus and wife to George F. Hepper.
15th st., s., 175 ft. w. of 8th lav., 82,3282.11;
Goo. F. Hopper to Prodecke Aldhaus.
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25th st., 440 West; Mary Shleids to William
Rankin.
76th st., n. s., 43 ft. w. of 9th av., 102.2; Cecells
Hogan to John H. MaKas.

Soth st., a. s. 487 k. w. of 0th av., 102.2; Cecelia Hogan to John H. McKee. 28,000
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Arnold, Wm. C., to the Equitable Life Assurance Society U. S., a. s. 181st st., w. of 7th av.; 10
months (7 mortgages). Cole. Thomas, and wife, to the Bowery Savings
Bank n. s. 486h st., w. of 7th av.; 10
months (7 mortgages). 2215,013
Cole. Thomas, and wife, to the Bowery Savings
Bank n. s. 486h st., w. of 3d av.; 1 year. 16,000
Decker, John W., to R. Olarance Borsett, w. s.
Cauldwell av. n. of Olfton st., demand. 23,803
Donnellon, Samuel E. and Jennie M., to D. N. Barney, a. s. 88th st., e. of Amsterdam av.; demand. 23,803
Donnellon, Samuel E. and Jennie M., to D. N. Barney, a. s. 88th st., e. of Amsterdam av.; demand. 18,000
Easton, Mary B., to Cornella U. Elliott, n. s. 61st
st. of John A., and Jennie M., to D. N. Barney, a. s. Sthat, c. of Amsterdam av.; demand. 12,000
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Joerlitz, Philip and wifs and another, to the German Savings Sank, New York, n. s. Grove st., w. of 4th at; I year.

Joidstein, Betsey R. to Henry Waters, n. s. Broome st., e. of Forsyth at; Instalmental Asyaw, William and soother, to Mortimer F. Porter and another, executions, &c., of Mortimer Parter, s. s. 155th st., n. of 5th av; I years.

Lebos, John, to Samuel Hirsh, n. w. cor, 127sh st. and 8th av. 10,500

Kehos, John, to Samuel Hirsh, n. w. cof. 127sh st.
and Sth av
Laior, William, to W. K. Aston, n. a. Liberty, e. of
Nassau st.; S years
Storngians, Jacob and another, to William Rankin
section 3, block 752, map land city of New York;
loave; installments
Striker, Florence S. and another, to the General
Theological Sominary of Protestant Episcopal
Church, 40 West 72d st.; 3 years.
Van der Ennde, Reinhold and wife, to Lionis E. Neuman, 56 East S2d st.; 3 years.

14,000

JILTED HER AGED LOVER. MR. FOSTER'S PROMISED BRIDE CONCLUDED NOT TO MARRY HIM.

Henry Foster, an aged and wealthy resident of

Roseland, N. J., a quiet little village among the North New Jersey mountains, was to have been married on Monday to a pretty and dashing young woman of Newark. Everything was in readiness, but a few hours before the time appointed for the ceremony Mr. Foster received a letter from his promised wife, saying that she was exceedingly sorry, but she had changed her mind and had decided not to marry him.

She added that as soon as she could afford it she would pay back the money he had loaned her and his expenditures for her wedding outfit.

Foster is said to be nearly distracted over the affair. A year ago Foster was involved in another sensation. He was accused by Dr. Courter of assaulting Mrs. Courter, and Foster had Courter arrested. In the trial which followed he proved his innocence of the charge. Prior to this Courter and his wife had brought a similar charge against Charles Harrison, but the latter was acquitted. woman of Newark. Everything was in readiness,

WHO KNOWS ABOUT THEM?

The following advertisement appeared in vesterday's Herald:

NOTICE—INFORMATION IS DESIRED CONCERNing the following named corporations:—Alameds Silver
Mining Company, Abia Gold Company, Benton Gold
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Mining Company, Pachanan Farm Oil Company, Vermout Copps Mining Company, Imperishable Stone Company of New York, Inexhaustible Petrolaum Company of
New York, Persons who can give the location of the
offices or other information concerning those corporations will confer favor by communicating with SMITH &
MARTIN, 40 Broadway, New York.

Mr. Smith said yesterday that a number of the firm's cliente had received a lot of ornate certificates of stock in the above companies. Some of them had been found by administratora in setting up estates, and others had been turned over among the assets of bankrupt Western capitalists. Most of the certificates dated back twenty years or more.

POISONING DOGS IN PEEKSKILL

PERSKILL, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1891 .- A dog poisoner is abroad in this city, and his deadly work has been